

ORDER OF WORSHIP

July 9, 2017

5th Sunday after Pentecost

Good morning! We wish God's grace and peace to you as we worship this morning. During the welcome, please sign the registration pads. If you are a first time visitor, we welcome you this morning and pray you have a meaningful worship time with us.
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WORSHIP THE LORD IN THE BEAUTY OF HOLINESS

Ministers – The Congregation
Pastor – Mark Chow

GATHERING FOR CELEBRATION

GATHERING MUSIC

Tony Merry

GREETING

Pastor Mark

Be not afraid! **God is with us!**

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PRELUDE

"A Quiet Interlude"

G. Lachenauer

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CELEBRATION THROUGH PRAISE

*OPENING HYMN 384

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

*OPENING PRAYER

Cindi Swope

O Lord our God, you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts on us than we are to seek them, and are willing to give more than we desire or deserve. Help us so to seek that we may truly find, so to ask that we may joyfully receive, and so to knock that the door of your mercy may be opened to us; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING 646

"Canticle of Love"

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"God on the Mountain"

T. Dratt

Debby Johnston – Soloist

(As the children come forward and depart the sanctuary, the congregation may sing "We Are the Church" - 558 - refrain)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

(Children will go downstairs for KidsOwnWorship)

CELEBRATION THROUGH GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 24:34-52

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

BLESSED

Pastor Mark Chow

CELEBRATION THROUGH OUR GIFTS

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"You Are There"

D. Johnston / arr. J. Mayercak

Debby Johnston – Soloist

CALL TO PRAYER 472

"Near to the Heart of God" [vs. 1, 2]

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Holy and merciful God, we confess that we have not always taken upon ourselves the yoke of obedience, nor have been willing to seek and to do your perfect will. We have not loved you with all our heart and mind and soul and strength, neither have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. You have called to us in the need of our sisters and brothers and we have passed unheeding on our way. In the pride of our hearts, and our unwillingness to repent, we have turned away from the cross of Christ and have grieved your Holy Spirit.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE AND PARDON

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

"Voluntary"

T. Loud, Jr.

*DOXOLOGY 94

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*BLESSING OF THE OFFERING

GOING FORTH TO CELEBRATE

*CLOSING HYMN 128

"He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought"

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION 664

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing" [vs. 1]

POSTLUDE

"Concluding Voluntary"

W. G. Cusins

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ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY -- Sunday School – 21 Worship – 27, 60

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

July 9 Cindy Luburgh, John Wood

July 10 Tom Lewis, Lynn Straker

July 12 Pete Hamilton, June Lawyer, Quinton Lazar, Tracy Miller

July 13 Mara Graham, Bill Woods

July 14 Michelle Bryan, Koen Meddings, Steve Moore, Jennifer Wood

July 15 Evie Tyson

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday, July 9		
Monday, July 10		
Tuesday, July 11	7:00 p.m.	Yoga
Wednesday, July 12	6:00 p.m.	Block Party Planning – Classroom
Thursday, July 13	6:30 p.m.	Book Study – Classroom
Friday, July 14	6:30 a.m.	Bible Study – Parlor
Saturday, July 15		GRAPEVINE Deadline
Sunday, July 16	8:15 a.m.	Early Service – Fellowship Hall
	9:00-10:15	Fellowship Time – Fellowship Hall
	9:15-10:15	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	12:00 p.m.	Young Adult meeting – Parlor
	7:00 p.m.	Memorial Band Concert – Zane's Landing

VISION STATEMENT for Grace Church

GRACE WILL Gather to worship God — Grow spiritually — Go serve and make disciples

Thanks to our worship leaders this morning

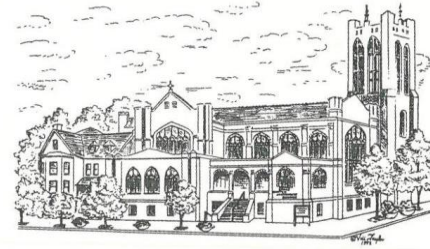
Hospitality Team – Dana & Cindi Swope

Elevator Attendant – Diane Marks

Children's Ministry – Julie McAllister, Cindy Lawyer, Sarah Burris

Sound Technician – Craig Hill

During this coming week (July 9-16), Juanita Jones will be at the Oaks at Northpointe for a time of respite [Room 513]. The family is requesting church friends to visit her at their convenience.



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God Is With Us!

Today is the fifth Sunday after Pentecost. During the past few weeks, we have considered the way God's presence was made known to the fathers and mothers of our faith. Even in the midst of uncertainty and difficulty, God is always with us and is ready to bless us.

8:15 a.m. Worship Celebration

Thank you to Joyce Cooper and our Praise Team for leading the music this morning.

Gathering for Celebration

Celebration Through Praise

Celebration Through God's Word

Scripture – Genesis 24:34-49

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Message – *Blessed* — Pastor Mark Chow

Celebration Through Our Gifts

Prayer of Confession

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Offertory

Going Forth to Celebrate

Sending Music